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THURSDAY, July 27 ----- 7:15 P. M.

Johnny Victor Theater, RCA Exhibition House, 40 West 49th Street

THE WAR IN KOREA

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Following the screening, arranged through the courtesy of JOHN D. LEVIEN of RKO-Pathe News and JULIEN BRYAN, members and their guests are cordially invited to a buffet and refreshments at Club Headquarters, 1475 Broadway.

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The luncheon discussion on "Is This World War III?" originally scheduled for Wednesday, July 26, was cancelled late this week when a ban on public statements by officials of the Department of Defense forced several guest speakers to tender their regrets.

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PAST PRESIDENTS

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: O F F I C I A L :

Program Committee Meeting Clubrooms Monday, July 24, 5:45 P.M.

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: N E W M E M B E R S H I P A P P L I C A T I O N S :

ACTIVE: Patricia Sheridan, Charm Magazine, July 1948 - November 1949, Chief, Picture Section, ECA Information Office, Paris. Proposed by RALPH H. MAJOR, JR.; seconded by CHARLES ROBBINS.

H. Peter Hart, Editor, Neue Auslese, ISD, HICOG. September 1948, to present, as Editor in Chief, Neue Auslese, and London Bureau Chief for all HICOG publications in Germany and Austria. Proposed by ARTHUR REEF.

Edward Malcolm Korry, Balkans Correspondent, United Press. London, 1947-1948; UN Conference, 1948; Belgrade, October 1948-February 1949; Budapest, February 1949; Sofia, December 1948-March 1949; Belgrade, March 1950 to present; all for United Press. Proposed by M. DOUG WERNER; seconded by JOHN P. MARTINCO.

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The balance in the OPC treasury as of July 1 totaled \$16,962.12, Treasurer LEO BRANHAM reported at the July 5 meeting of the Board of Governors. This compares with balances of \$13,183.56 on July 1, 1949, and \$10,991.08 on July 1, 1948. The balance on June 1, 1950, was \$16,183.32.

Income during June, 1950, totaled \$3,738.74. Disbursements amounted to \$2,959.92, leaving a net excess of income over expenditures of \$778.80. This compares for June, 1949, with an income of \$1,976.50 and expenditures of \$2,423.06, with a net loss of \$446.56; and income for June, 1948, of \$2,207.37, and expenditures of \$2,775.63, with a net loss for that month of \$568.26.

BRANHAM also reported that \$5,000 of Club funds has been deposited in the Bowery Savings Bank at 2 percent interest.

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CENSORSHIP BEGINS TO PLAGUE NEWSMEN AS KOREAN PRESS CORPS GROWS

**MacArthur Lifts Ban on Two Reporters
Barred from Covering War For
"Giving Aid to Enemy"**

With the war in Korea pulling more and more newsmen back into war correspondents' uniforms, the first clash between reporters and military authorities was ironed out early this week through the personal intervention of General MacArthur. At stake was newspapermen's right to report activity accurately and impartially without fear of official reprisal. Late last week Col. Marion P. Echols, General MacArthur's public information officer, withheld traveling permission to Korea from Tokyo of two American newsmen, Tom Lambert of the Associated Press, and Peter Kalischer, United Press correspondent. Reason given was that dispatches of both men were

FIRST CORRESPONDENTS KILLED IN KOREA

The names of two war correspondents were added to the Overseas Press Club's memorial roster when reports were verified that Ray Richards of International News Service and Cpl. Ernie Peeler of Stars and Stripes Pacific edition had been killed by enemy action on July 10. The newsmen were the first fatalities among members of the Fourth Estate covering the Korean war.

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MILLER CRITICIZED FOR COVERAGE

An article by ROBERT C. MILLER of United Press, describing a bloody U.S. retreat under enemy fire, last week earned him official censure from General MacArthur's public information officer.

That officer termed MILLER's dispatch a regrettable story which, in his opinion, tended to aid and comfort the enemy and might dampen troop morale.

Although the same criticism was also leveled at copy by the AP's Tom Lambert and the UP's Peter Kalischer (see adjoining column), no attempt was made to suppress MILLER's activities.

guilty of "giving aid and comfort to the enemy." Accuracy of the articles, however, was not questioned. Lambert and Kalischer denied the charges and, on July 16, met with General MacArthur who revoked the ban. He stated he had full confidence in their judgment on future war stories.

While American newspapers, press services and radio networks revised their schedules to devote fuller coverage to the Korean situation, more correspondents departed for the war front, some on 24 hours notice. Since mention of all correspondents dispatched to the Far East is impossible within the scope and limitations of The Bulletin, only Overseas Press Club Members or those associated with the Club can be covered at this time.

Off to join the Associate Press war staff assembling in Tokyo this week were REIMAN (PAT) MORIN, executive assistant and former bureau chief there; HAL BOYLE, popular columnist; and DON WHITEHEAD, Washington staffer, all of whom will join DON HUTH who is already in Japan. Last week FRANK NOEL, AP photographer-veteran of World War II, returned from assignment in Germany with his wife just in time to receive new sailing orders for Tokyo. He left two days later. Also on his way is AP lensman, MAX DESFOR, who had just taken over a new post as

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photo chief of the Miami bureau after nine months in Rome. Another AP transfer this week took CHARLES GRUMICH from his slot as chief of the agency's UN staff to the San Francisco cable desk where he will be "for the duration." Representing the New York Times, RICHARD JOHNSTON arrived Tokyo July 6 and presumably is on his way to Korea from which he returned to New York early this year after a four-year tour of duty. Fully recovered from wounds suffered in a jeep explosion on June 28, Time's FRANK BRAY GIBNEY is now back in the battle area. EDWARD R. MURROW, top CBS commentator, was recalled from his vacation to leave on July 15 for the West Coast. He flew from Seattle and landed in Tokyo on July 18. Already a veteran of Korean fighting, as he was of World War II combat, is homer Bigart, Pulitzer-Prize-winning New York Herald Tribune war correspondent, who two years ago received the Overseas Press Club's first George Polk Memorial Award for professional achievement "beyond the call of duty." He has been filing copy from the shooting area since early in the fighting. And the Chicago Tribune on July 5 carried an eye-witness story of the battle in Korea by its own correspondent, WALTER SIMMONS, who is now in the war zone. Likewise, Newsweek foreign editor HARRY KERN flew to Korea for a brief look-see at the fighting before he returned last week from an inspection tour in the Far East.

MARY HORNADAY of the Christian Science Monitor is one of three American women who have won trips to Switzerland in September sponsored by the American Society for Friendship with Switzerland...Another "Mary", MARY L. KNIGHT, a "founding mother" of the OPC, has just finished a book based on her travels in the Far East. She lives now at 465 South El Molino in Pasadena...GERALDINE FITCH guested last week with her husband, George A. Fitch, on MARY MARGARET McBRIDE's program...

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Assistant Secretary of State EDWARD W. BARRETT is keeping busy; he participated a week ago in the WCBS-TV telecast, "World Briefing", discussing U.S. foreign policy, and, on July 16, appeared on the same network in an inside story of the "Voice of America" on the "Diplomatic Pouch" show...Veteran newsman ALEXANDER KENDRICK has just joined the Washington staff of CBS after service with CBS as Middle Eastern correspondent...From last week's shakeup at Look magazine, new Member WILLIAM H. LOWE has emerged as new managing editor...BOB CONSIDINE appeared on July 13 on Mutual's "The Limerick Show"...

MYER AGEN reports his transfer from a slot as information specialist at Picatinny Arsenal, N.J., to a similar post in the Office of Secretary of Defense, Armed Forces Information and Education Branch at 641 Washington St., N.Y. ... On July 24 KATHLEEN TELTSCH of the New York Times UN Bureau arrives in New York aboard the "DeGrasse" after covering the UNESCO conference in Florence and visiting Italy, Switzerland, France and England ...

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GLOBE-TROTTERS: Just back from Germany: GEORGE MANCE... Following another trip to Florida, HARRY PRICE is now again in New York, flourishing a diploma from the Chamber of Commerce acknowledging the exotic fish he caught last spring....

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OUR PROLIFIC COLLEAGUES: July 6 was a double-red-letter-day for DEAN JENNINGS, associate editor of Collier's. On that day Doubleday released his book, "The San Quentin Story", and a piece turned up in Collier's on California's utility, the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. ... MAJOR GEORGE FIELDING ELIOT's column is now running in the New York Sunday Mirror, while two of his pieces ("Defense of Western Europe" and "Defense of Formosa and Southeast Asia") are slated for the August 29 and September 12 Look magazines respectively...McCall's will shortly feature BETTY WASON's "Voice of America Baby", while the New York Times Magazine will publish her "Europe's Women"... "Why Honest Judges Go Broke", by RAY JOSEPHS, was This Week's lead piece for the July 9 issue. RAY picked up the idea while newspapering in Philly and chatting with a judge who agreed to an "as-told-to" by-line...Readers Digest lists DON ROBINSON's "Are You Scared of Lawyers?" (from This Week) in its August book...WILL OURSLER has just sold a personality piece to Collier's...Don't miss JULIET BRIDGMAN's personal story, "I'm the Circus Girl Friday", in This Week for July 16...

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THE OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB extends sincere condolences to SPIROS SKOURAS on the death of his daughter, Miss Dionysia Skouras, 24, in Los Angeles on July 17. She had been visiting her uncle, Charles Skouras, when she fell four floors from the garden of his penthouse apartment...

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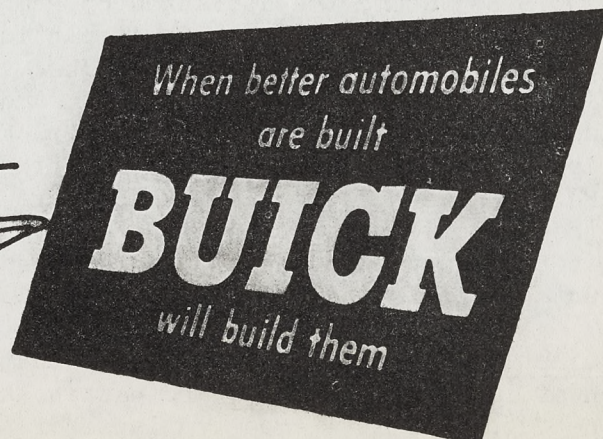
THE OVERSEAS TICKER

After 10 days vacation in the U.S. from his post as Chief Information officer for the ECA Mission in Turkey, LEO D. HOCHSTETTER left on July 10 for a new assignment as PR Chief for the Special American Mission to Indo-China with headquarters in Saigon (reachable through the American Legation there).... HENRY W. BAGLEY is now assistant public relations officer in Brazil for the International Basic Economy Corporation, an outfit headed by Nelson Rockefeller...You can now address JEAN LYON care of the United States Information Service in New Delhi; she's there on special assignment for the Toronto Star Weekly...JEAN JAFFE sends a postcard from Beersheba, Israel, with greetings from MURRAY SHINNACH of the New York Times...

MEXICO CITY DATELINE: (Special to The Bulletin) RICHARD MASSOCK, AP bureau chief in Mexico, has returned from a three-week trip to Ecuador, Venezuela, Colombia and countries en route. Incidentally, DICK has taken up oil painting in a big way and is reported to be using a live model after only a few lessons...ROBERT BENJAMIN, Life-Time bureau chief, has had guests including Eleanor Welch, assistant chief of Time-Life correspondents, and James Truitt and his wife of Life's Dallas bureau...Two McGraw-Hill executives on the first leg of an extensive Latin-American tour have been monopolizing the time recently of JOHN R. WILHELM, McGraw-Hill bureau chief in the Mexican capital...Recently WILHELM joined other Mexico City foreign correspondents on an inspection tour with President Miguel Aleman to open the new railroad to Yucatan, the first time the Mexican peninsula has ever been hooked by land route to the central Republic...

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VIENNA DATELINE: (Special to The Bulletin) Many changes due in U.S. press corps in Vienna... Dana Adams Schmidt (New York Times) goes to Harvard on a Nieman Fellowship and the UP's Bill Boyle to Princeton on a Council of Foreign Affairs study deal...Gaylord Hodenfield, AP, returns to the ZI this fall...Recent visiting firemen in Vienna: columnist Earl Wilson; Admiral Zachari for King Features; Joseph Alsop, New York Herald Tribune; SYMOUR FRIEDEN, writing for Collier's, INP's Allyn Baum...Simon Bourgin of Time and Life is sitting in for ALEXANDER KENDRICK while the latter vacations in the States...The Vernon Pizer in the July Reader's Digest (laundromat article) is deputy PIO in Vienna...WILLIAM L. SHIRER is due in Vienna in August to record narration for a movie about Hitler...Phil Gustafson visited Vienna as a magazine consultant for ECA...Gaston Goblentz jeeped from Belgrade to Vienna, Salzburg and Frankfurt and back to Titoland. Reports Jugo visas still hard to come by for newsmen, despite Belgrade friendly gestures...So far no change in correspondents' status in Vienna is indicated with changeover to civilian control in Austria on August 1...

CAIRO DATELINE: (Special to The Bulletin) Middle East newsmen are seriously concerned over new law introduced in Egyptian Parliament by Wafd government calling for six months imprisonment and 100 pound fine for any correspondent who writes anything whatsoever about the royal family without prior written approval. This would hold even for the most routine one-paragraph items... BOB HEWETT, on the AP foreign desk in New York for the past year after service in London, Greece and Palestine, has joined the AP's Middle East staff, bringing its strength to three Americans in the Arab world -- Bureau chief Stan SWINTON in Cairo, FRED ZUSY in Teheran and HEWETT, who will rove from a Beirut base...Only other American staffer in the Arab states is Albion Ross, veteran New York Timesman. Other papers and news agencies are represented by British correspondents or stringers...Recently through Cairo: Henry McLemore and wife, vacationing. Off for his home in Britain: UP Cairo bureau chief Walter Collins, who will vacation there through the summer...

SOUTH PACIFIC DATELINE: (Special to The Bulletin) Information Specialist JACK NEWMAN returned to Okinawa recently after visiting Hongkong on a 14-day junket. He spent some time there with Wilson Fielder of Time Inc., and Stan Rich of AP...HAZEL SHORE toured through Hongkong on her way back to Tokyo after looking in on the coronation at Bangkok...Alexander MacDonald of the Bangkok Post is planning a new publication for Indonesia...

LONDON DATELINE: (Special to The Bulletin) Ned Russell of the New York Herald Tribune is on a trip through France which will end with a couple of weeks in Biarritz...The NBC's MERRILL (RED) MUELLER reports there are 52 accredited war correspondents in London holding current NME cards in the event of an emergency...BERT BRANDT checks in from the British capital with the complaint that the place "is crawling with tourists and some hotels are completely booked for the summer. So far I've had to move to a different hotel every day since I came to England."

For the above on-the-spot items, The Editor is grateful to these newly-appointed Special Bulletin Correspondents: JOHN R. WILHELM, JOSEF ISRAELS II, STAN SWINTON, JACK NEWMAN and MERRILL MUELLER.

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REDUCED RATE tickets for "Detective Story", through July 27, are available at Club Headquarters...Part of Federal Security Administrator Oscar Ewing's recent speech before the OPC appeared on the TV-Daily Newsreel of Telenews Productions, Inc., on June 29...

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FIRST ROUND TABLE The first in a series of round-table discussions launched by the Program
DRAWS 65 GUESTS Committee attracted 65 Members and friends to the Clubrooms on July 12.
TO DISCUSS KOREA There they heard six participants who each gave his opinions on Korea in brief, five-minute talks. WILLIAM P. GRAY, who himself recently returned from the Far East, presided and spoke. Dr. and Mrs. GEORGE FITCH gave background on relations of the Koreans with other nations. Mr. Eugene Prostov, former member of the U. S. Economic Mission to Korea, told of difficulties in U.S. negotiations with the Russians, while Miss BARBARA RICHARDSON, formerly with Reuters in Korea and now a "Voice of America" staffer, discussed the impact of Americans on Korea. Miss Louisa Yim, the lone woman member of the Korean Cabinet and now with the UN General Assembly, outlined some of the problems of resistance encountered in Southern Korea.

The Bulletin editor sincerely regrets that an unforeseen office emergency prevented publication of last week's issue, and hastens to assure Members that advance notice will be given in the future of any temporary lapse of publication.

RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Editor